Caution: The issuance of this long-term care insurance [policy] [certificate] is based upon your responses to the questions on your application. A copy of your [application] [enrollment form] [is enclosed] [was retained by you when you applied]. If your answers are incorrect or untrue, the company has the right to deny benefits or rescind your policy. The best time to clear up any questions is now, before a claim arises! If, for any reason, any of your answers are incorrect, contact the company at this address: [insert address]

- 1. This policy is [an individual policy of insurance] [[a group policy] which was issued in the [indicate jurisdiction in which group policy was issued]].
- 2. PURPOSE OF OUTLINE OF COVERAGE. This outline of coverage provides a very brief description of the important features of the policy. You should compare this outline of coverage to outlines of coverage for other policies available to you. This is not an insurance contract, but only a summary of coverage. Only the individual or group policy contains governing contractual provisions. This means that the policy or group policy sets forth in detail the rights and obligations of both you and the insurance company. Therefore, if you purchase this coverage, or any other coverage, it is important that you READ YOUR POLICY (OR CERTIFICATE) CAREFULLY!
  - FEDERAL TAX CONSEQUENCES.

This [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE] is intended to be a federally tax-qualified long-term care insurance contract under Section 7702B(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

OR

Federal Tax Implications of this [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE]. This [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE] is not intended to be a federally tax-qualified long-term care insurance contract under Section 7702B(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Benefits received under the [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE] may be taxable as income.

- 4. TERMS UNDER WHICH THE POLICY OR CERTIFICATE MAY BE CONTINUED IN FORCE OR DISCONTINUED.
- (a) [For long-term care health insurance policies or certificates, describe one of the following permissible policy renewability provisions:
- (1) Policies and certificates that are guaranteed renewable shall contain the following statement:] RENEWABILITY: THIS [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE] IS GUARANTEED RENEWABLE. This means you have the right, subject to the terms of your [policy] [certificate], to continue this policy as long as you pay your premiums on time. [Company Name] cannot change any of the terms of your policy on its own, except that, in the future, IT MAY INCREASE THE PREMIUM YOU PAY.
- (2) [Policies and certificates that are noncancellable shall contain the following statement:] RE-NEWABILITY: THIS [POLICY] [CERTIFICATE] IS NONCANCELLABLE. This means that you have the right, subject to the terms of your policy, to continue this policy as long as you pay your premiums on time. [Company Name] cannot change any of the terms of your policy on its own and cannot change the premium you currently pay. However, if your policy contains an inflation protection feature where you choose to increase your benefits, [Company Name] may increase your premium at that time for those additional benefits.
- (b) [For group coverage, specifically describe continuation/conversion provisions applicable to the certificate and group policy;]
  - (c) [Describe waiver of premium provisions or state that there are not such provisions.]
  - 5. TERMS UNDER WHICH THE COMPANY MAY CHANGE PREMIUMS.

[In bold type larger than the maximum type required to be used for the other provisions of the outline of coverage, state whether or not the company has a right to change the premium and, if a right exists, describe clearly and concisely each circumstance under which the premium may change.]

- 6. TERMS UNDER WHICH THE POLICY OR CERTIFICATE MAY BE RETURNED AND PREMIUM REFUNDED.
  - (a) [Provide a brief description of the right to return—"free look" provision of the policy.]
- (b) [Include a statement that the policy either does or does not contain provisions providing for a refund or partial refund of premium upon the death of an insured or surrender of the policy or certificate. If the policy contains such provisions, include a description of them.]
- 7. THIS IS NOT MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT COVERAGE. If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Medicare Supplement Buyer's Guide available from the insurance company.
- (a) [For agents] Neither [insert company name] nor its agents represent Medicare, the federal government or any state government.
- (b) [For direct response] [insert company name] is not representing Medicare, the federal government or any state government.
- 8. LONG-TERM CARE COVERAGE. Policies of this category are designed to provide coverage for one or more necessary or medically necessary diagnostic, preventive, therapeutic, rehabilitative, maintenance, or personal care services, provided in a setting other than an acute care unit of a hospital, such as in a nursing home, in the community or in the home.

This policy provides coverage in the form of a fixed dollar indemnity benefit for covered long-term care expenses, subject to policy [limitations] [waiting periods] and [coinsurance] requirements. [Modify this paragraph if the policy is not an indemnity policy.]

- BENEFITS PROVIDED BY THIS POLICY.
- (a) [Covered services, related deductibles, waiting periods, elimination periods and benefit maximums.]
  - (b) [Institutional benefits, by skill level.]
  - (c) [Noninstitutional benefits, by skill level.]
  - (d) Eligibility for Payment of Benefits

[Activities of daily living and cognitive impairment shall be used to measure an insured's need for long-term care and must be defined and described as part of the outline of coverage.]

[Any additional benefit triggers must also be explained. If these triggers differ for different benefits, explanation of the triggers should accompany each benefit description. If an attending physician or other specified person must certify a certain level of the insured's functional dependency in order for the insured to be eligible for benefits, this too must be specified.]

10. LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS.

[Describe:

- (a) Preexisting conditions;
- (b) Noneligible facilities and provider;
- (c) Noneligible levels of care (e.g., unlicensed providers, care or treatment provided by a family member, etc.);
  - (d) Exclusions and exceptions;
  - (e) Limitations.]

[This section should provide a brief, specific description of any policy provisions which limit, exclude, restrict, reduce, delay, or in any other manner operate to qualify payment of the benefits described in "6" above.]

THIS POLICY MAY NOT COVER ALL THE EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH YOUR LONG-TERM CARE NEEDS.

- 11. RELATIONSHIP OF COST OF CARE AND BENEFITS. Because the costs of long-term care services will likely increase over time, you should consider whether and how the benefits of this plan may be adjusted. [As applicable, indicate the following:
  - (a) That the benefit level will not increase over time;
  - (b) Any automatic benefit adjustment provisions;
- (c) Whether the insured will be guaranteed the option to buy additional benefits and the basis upon which benefits will be increased over time if not by a specified amount or percentage;
- (d) If there is such a guarantee, include whether additional underwriting or health screening will be required, the frequency and amounts of the upgrade options, and any significant restrictions or limitations:
- (e) And finally, describe whether there will be any additional premium charge imposed, and how that is to be calculated.]
  - 12. ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER ORGANIC BRAIN DISORDERS.

[State that the policy provides coverage for insureds clinically diagnosed as having Alzheimer's disease or related degenerative and dementing illnesses. Specifically describe each benefit screen or other policy provision which provides preconditions to the availability of policy benefits for such an insured.]

- 13. PREMIUM.
- [(a) State the total annual premium for the policy;
- (b) If the premium varies with an applicant's choice among benefit options, indicate the portion of annual premium which corresponds to each benefit option.]
  - 14. ADDITIONAL FEATURES.
  - [(a) Indicate if medical underwriting is used;
  - (b) Describe other important features.]
- 15. This policy does not qualify for Medicaid asset protection under the Iowa Long-Term Care Asset Preservation Program. However, this policy is an approved Long-Term Care Insurance Policy under state regulations. For information about policies and certificates qualifying under the Iowa Long-Term Care Asset Preservation Program, contact the Senior Health Insurance Information Program of the Insurance Division at 1-800-351-4664.\*\*
- 16. CONTACT THE STATE SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (800-351-4664)\*\* IF YOU HAVE GENERAL QUESTIONS REGARDING LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE. CONTACT THE INSURANCE COMPANY IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE POLICY OR CERTIFICATE.
- \*\*Outlines of coverage must be updated to include the listed number for the Senior Health Insurance Information Program no later than August 1, 2003. Insurers may continue to use Outlines that list the telephone number of 515-281-5705 until July 31, 2003.

#### 191—39.19(514G) Requirement to deliver shopper's guide.

- **39.19(1)** A long-term care insurance shopper's guide in the format developed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, the Health Insurance Association of America or the senior health insurance information program of the insurance division shall be provided to all prospective applicants of a long-term care insurance policy or certificate or life insurance policy or certificate that includes a long-term care rider.
- a. In the case of agent solicitations, an agent must deliver the shopper's guide to the applicant at the time of application.
- b. In the case of direct response solicitations, the shopper's guide must be presented to the applicant at the time the policy is delivered.
- **39.19(2)** Insurers offering life insurance policies or riders containing accelerated long-term care benefits are not required to comply with 39.19(1), but shall furnish the policy summary required under rule 191—39.20(514G).

## 191—39.20(514G) Policy summary and delivery of life insurance policies with long-term care riders.

**39.20(1)** If an application for a long-term care insurance contract or certificate is approved, the issuer shall deliver the contract or certificate of insurance to the applicant no later than 30 days after the date of approval.

**39.20(2)** At the time of policy delivery, a policy summary shall be delivered for an individual life insurance policy which provides long-term care benefits within the policy or by rider. In the case of direct response solicitations, the insurer shall deliver the policy summary upon the applicant's request, but regardless of request shall make such delivery no later than at the time of policy delivery. In addition to complying with all applicable requirements, the summary shall also include:

- a. An explanation of how the long-term care benefit interacts with other components of the policy, including deductions from death benefits;
- b. An illustration of the amount of benefits, the length of benefit, and the guaranteed lifetime benefits, if any, for each covered person;
  - c. Any exclusions, reductions, and limitations on benefits of long-term care;
- d. If applicable to the policy type, the summary shall also include a disclosure of the effects of exercising other rights under the policy, a disclosure of guarantees related to long-term care costs of insurance charges, and current and projected maximum lifetime benefits; and
- e. A statement that any long-term care inflation protection option required by rule 191—39.10(514D,514G) is not available under this policy.

The provisions of the policy summary listed above may be incorporated into a basic illustration required to be delivered in accordance with 191—Chapter 14 or into the life insurance policy summary which is required to be delivered in accordance with rule 191—15.4(507B).

**191—39.21(514G)** Reporting requirement for long-term care benefits funded through life insurance by acceleration of the death benefit. Any time a long-term care benefit, funded through life insurance which by the acceleration of the death benefit is in benefit payment status, a monthly report shall be provided to the policyholder. The report shall include:

- 1. Any long-term care benefits paid out during the month;
- 2. An explanation of any changes in the policy, e.g., death benefits or cash values, due to long-term care benefits being paid out; and
  - 3. The amount of long-term care benefits existing or remaining.

#### 191—39.22(514G) Unintentional lapse.

**39.22(1)** Notice before lapse or termination. No individual long-term care policy or certificate shall be issued until the insurer has received from the applicant either: a written designation of at least one person, in addition to the applicant, who is to receive notice of lapse or termination of the policy or certificate for nonpayment of premium; or a written waiver dated and signed by the applicant electing not to designate additional persons to receive notice. The applicant has the right to designate at least one person who is to receive the notice of termination, in addition to the insured. Designation shall not constitute acceptance of any liability on the third party for services provided to the insured. The form used for the written designation must provide space clearly designated for listing at least one person. The designation shall include each person's full name and home address. In the case of an applicant who elects not to designate an additional person, the waiver shall state: "Protection against unintended lapse. I understand that I have the right to designate at least one person other than myself to receive notice of lapse or termination of this long-term care insurance policy for nonpayment of premium. I understand that notice will not be given until 30 days after a premium is due and unpaid. I elect NOT to designate any person to receive such notice."

The insurer shall notify the insured of the right to change this written designation no less often than once every two years.

- **39.22(2)** When the policyholder or certificate holder pays premium for a long-term care insurance policy or certificate through a payroll or pension deduction plan, the requirements contained in subrule 39.22(1) need not be met until 60 days after the policyholder or certificate holder is no longer on such a payment plan. The application or enrollment form for such policies or certificates shall clearly indicate the payment plan selected by the applicant.
- **39.22(3)** Lapse or termination for nonpayment of premium. No individual long-term care policy or certificate shall lapse or be terminated for nonpayment of premium unless the insurer, at least 30 days before the effective date of the lapse or termination, has given notice to the insured and to those persons designated pursuant to subrule 39.22(1) at the address provided by the insured for purposes of receiving notice of lapse or termination. Notice shall be given by first-class United States mail, postage prepaid; and notice may not be given until 30 days after a premium is due and unpaid. Notice shall be deemed to have been given as of five days after the date of mailing.
- **39.22(4)** Reinstatement. In addition to the requirement in subrule 39.22(1), a long-term care insurance policy or certificate shall include a provision which provides for reinstatement of coverage in the event of lapse if the insurer is provided proof of cognitive impairment or the loss of functional capacity. This option shall be available to the insured if requested within five months after termination and shall allow for the collection of past due premium, where appropriate. The standard of proof of cognitive impairment or loss of functional capacity shall not be more stringent than the benefit eligibility criteria on cognitive impairment or the loss of functional capacity, if any, contained in the policy and certificate.
- **191—39.23(514G) Denial of claims.** If a claim under a long-term care insurance contract is denied, the issuer shall, within 60 days of the date of a written request by the policyholder or certificate holder, or a representative thereof, provide a written explanation of the reasons for the denial; and make available all information directly related to the denial.

#### 191—39.24(514G) Incontestability period.

- **39.24(1)** For a policy or certificate that has been in force for less than six months, an insurer may rescind a long-term care insurance policy or certificate or deny an otherwise valid long-term care insurance claim upon a showing of misrepresentation that is material to the acceptance for coverage.
- **39.24(2)** For a policy or certificate that has been in force for at least six months but less than two years, an insurer may rescind a long-term care insurance policy or certificate or deny an otherwise valid long-term care insurance claim upon a showing of misrepresentation that is both material to the acceptance for coverage and which pertains to the condition for which benefits are sought.
- **39.24(3)** After a policy or certificate has been in force for two years, it is not contestable upon the grounds of misrepresentation alone; such policy or certificate may be contested only upon a showing that the insured knowingly and intentionally misrepresented relevant facts relating to the insured's health.
- **39.24(4)** No long-term care insurance policy or certificate may be field-issued based on medical or health status. For purposes of this subrule, "field-issued" means a policy or certificate issued by an agent or a third-party administrator pursuant to the underwriting authority granted to the agent or third-party administrator by an insurer.
- **39.24(5)** If an insurer has paid benefits under the long-term care insurance policy or certificate, the benefit payments may not be recovered by the insurer in the event that the policy or certificate is rescinded.
- **39.24(6)** In the event of the death of the insured, this rule shall not apply to the remaining death benefit of a life insurance policy that accelerates benefits for long-term care. In this situation, the remaining death benefits under these policies shall be governed by Iowa Code section 508.28. In all other situations, this rule shall apply to life insurance policies that accelerate benefits for long-term care.

#### 191—39.25(514G) Required disclosure of rating practices to consumers.

- **39.25(1)** Applicability. This rule applies to any new long-term care policy or certificate issued in this state on or after February 1, 2003. For certificates issued under a group long-term care insurance policy which policy was in force prior to February 1, 2003, the provisions of this rule shall apply on the policy anniversary following February 1, 2003.
- **39.25(2)** *Contents of disclosure.* Other than policies for which no applicable premium rate or rate schedule increases can be made, insurers shall provide all of the information listed in this subrule to the applicant at the time of application or enrollment, unless the method of application does not allow for delivery at that time. In such a case, an insurer shall provide all of the information listed in this subrule to the applicant no later than at the time of delivery of the policy or certificate.
  - a. A statement that the policy may be subject to rate increases in the future;
- b. An explanation of potential future premium rate revisions, and the policyholder's or certificate holder's option in the event of a premium rate revision;
- c. The premium rate or rate schedules applicable to the applicant that will be in effect until a request is made for an increase;
- d. A general explanation for applying premium rate or rate schedule adjustments that shall include:
- (1) A description of when premium rate or rate schedule adjustments will be effective (e.g., next anniversary date, next billing date, etc.); and
- (2) The right to a revised premium rate or rate schedule as provided in paragraph 39.25(2) "c" if the premium rate or rate schedule is changed;
- e. Information regarding each premium rate increase on this policy form or similar policy forms over the past ten years for this state or any other state.
  - (1) The following, at a minimum, shall be included:
  - 1. The policy forms for which premium rates have been increased;
  - 2. The calendar years when the form was available for purchase; and
- 3. The amount or percent of each increase. The percentage may be expressed as a percentage of the premium rate prior to the increase, and may also be expressed as minimum and maximum percentages if the rate increase is variable by rating characteristics.
- (2) The insurer may, in a fair manner, provide additional explanatory information related to the rate increases.
- (3) An insurer shall have the right to exclude from the disclosure premium rate increases that only apply to blocks of business acquired from other nonaffiliated insurers or the long-term care policies acquired from other nonaffiliated insurers when those increases occurred prior to the acquisition.
- (4) If an acquiring insurer files for a rate increase on a long-term care policy form acquired from nonaffiliated insurers or on a block of policy forms acquired from nonaffiliated insurers on or before the later of February 1, 2003, or the end of a 24-month period following the acquisition of the block or policies, the acquiring insurer may exclude that rate increase from the disclosure. However, the non-affiliated selling company shall include the disclosure of that rate increase in accordance with paragraph "e."
- (5) If the acquiring insurer in subparagraph (4) above files for a subsequent rate increase, even within the 24-month period, on the same policy form acquired from nonaffiliated insurers or block of policy forms acquired from nonaffiliated insurers referenced in subparagraph (4), the acquiring insurer shall make all disclosures required by paragraph "e," including disclosure of the earlier rate increase referenced in subparagraph (4).
- **39.25(3)** Acknowledgment. An applicant shall sign an acknowledgment at the time of application, unless the method of application does not allow for signature at that time, that the insurer made the disclosure required under 39.25(2) "a" and 39.25(2) "e." If due to the method of application the applicant cannot sign an acknowledgment at the time of application, the applicant shall sign no later than at the time of delivery of the policy or certificate.

- **39.25(4)** Required format. An insurer shall use the forms in Appendices B and F to comply with the requirements of this rule.
- **39.25(5)** *Notice of rate increase.* An insurer shall provide notice of an upcoming premium rate schedule increase to all policyholders or certificate holders, if applicable, at least 45 days prior to the implementation of the premium rate schedule increase by the insurer. The notice shall include the information required by subrule 39.25(2) when the rate increase is implemented.

#### 191—39.26(514G) Initial filing requirements.

- **39.26(1)** Effective date. This rule applies to any long-term care policy issued in this state on or after February 1, 2003.
- **39.26(2)** Required filing. An insurer shall provide the information listed in this subrule to the commissioner pursuant to rule 191—20.1(505,509,514A,515,515A,515F) 30 days prior to making a long-term care insurance form available for sale.
  - a. A copy of the disclosure documents required in rule 191—39.25(514G); and
  - b. An actuarial certification consisting of at least the following:
- (1) A statement that the initial premium rate schedule is sufficient to cover anticipated costs under moderately adverse experience and that the premium rate schedule is reasonably expected to be sustainable over the life of the form with no future premium increases anticipated;
- (2) A statement that the policy design and coverage provided have been reviewed and taken into consideration;
- (3) A statement that the underwriting and claims adjudication processes have been reviewed and taken into consideration;
- (4) A complete description of the basis for contract reserves that are anticipated to be held under the form, to include:
- Sufficient detail or sample calculations provided so as to have a complete depiction of the reserve amounts to be held;
- 2. A statement that the assumptions used for reserves contain reasonable margins for adverse experience;
- 3. A statement that the net valuation premium for renewal years does not increase (except for attained-age rating where permitted); and
- 4. A statement that the difference between the gross premium and the net valuation premium for renewal years is sufficient to cover expected renewal expenses; or if such a statement cannot be made, a complete description of the situations where this does not occur;
- An aggregate distribution of anticipated issues may be used as long as the underlying gross premiums maintain a reasonably consistent relationship;
- If the gross premiums for certain age groups appear to be inconsistent with this requirement, the commissioner may request a demonstration under subrule 39.26(3) based on a standard age distribution; and
- (5) A statement that the premium rate schedule is not less than the premium rate schedule for existing similar policy forms also available from the insurer except for reasonable differences attributable to benefits; or a comparison of the premium schedules for similar policy forms that are currently available from the insurer with an explanation of the differences.

#### **39.26(3)** Demonstration on request.

- a. The commissioner may request an actuarial demonstration that benefits are reasonable in relation to premiums. The actuarial demonstration shall include either premium and claim experience on similar policy forms, adjusted for any premium or benefit differences, relevant and credible data from other studies, or both.
- b. In the event the commissioner asks for additional information under this provision, the period in subrule 39.26(2) does not include the period during which the insurer is preparing the requested information.

#### 191—39.27(514G) Reporting requirements.

- **39.27(1)** Every insurer shall maintain for each agent records of that agent's amount of replacement sales as a percent of the agent's total annual sales and the amount of lapses of long-term care insurance policies sold by the agent as a percent of the agent's total annual sales.
- **39.27(2)** Every insurer shall report annually by June 30 the 10 percent of its agents with the greatest percentages of lapses and replacements as measured by subrule 39.27(1) in the format prescribed in Appendix G.
- **39.27(3)** Reported replacement and lapse rates do not alone constitute a violation of insurance laws or necessarily imply wrongdoing. The reports are for the purpose of reviewing more closely agent activities regarding the sale of long-term care insurance.
- **39.27(4)** Every insurer shall report annually by June 30 the number of lapsed policies as a percent of its total annual sales and as a percent of its total number of policies in force as of the end of the preceding calendar year in the format prescribed in Appendix G.
- **39.27(5)** Every insurer shall report annually by June 30 the number of replacement policies sold as a percent of its total annual sales and as a percent of its total number of policies in force as of the preceding calendar year in the format prescribed in Appendix G.
- **39.27(6)** Every insurer shall report annually by June 30, for qualified long-term care insurance contracts, the number of claims denied for each class of business, expressed as a percentage of claims denied in the format prescribed in Appendix E.
  - **39.27(7)** For purposes of rule 191—39.27(514G):
  - a. "Policy" means only long-term care insurance;
- b. Subject to paragraph "c" below, "claim" means a request for payment of benefits under an in-force policy regardless of whether the benefit claimed is covered under the policy or any terms or conditions of the policy have been met;
- c. "Denied" means the insurer refuses to pay a claim for any reason other than for claims not paid for failure to meet the waiting period or because of an applicable preexisting condition; and
  - d. "Report" means on a statewide basis.
- **39.27(8)** Reports required under this rule shall be filed with the commissioner. The first reports under this rule are due June 30, 2004.

#### 191—39.28(514G) Premium rate schedule increases.

- **39.28(1)** This rule applies to any long-term care policy or certificate issued in this state on or after February 1, 2003. For certificates issued under a group long-term care insurance policy which policy was in force on February 1, 2003, the provisions of this rule shall apply on the policy anniversary following July 1, 2003.
- **39.28(2)** An insurer shall provide notice of a pending premium rate schedule increase, including an exceptional increase, to the commissioner at least 30 days prior to the notice to the policyholders and shall include:
  - a. Information required by rule 191—39.25(514G);
  - b. Certification by a qualified actuary that:
- (1) If the requested premium rate schedule increase is implemented and the underlying assumptions, which reflect moderately adverse conditions, are realized, no further premium rate schedule increases are anticipated;
  - (2) The premium rate filing is in compliance with the provisions of this rule;
  - c. An actuarial memorandum justifying the rate schedule change request that includes:

- (1) Lifetime projections of earned premiums and incurred claims based on the filed premium rate schedule increase; and the method and assumptions used in determining the projected values, including reflection of any assumptions that deviate from those used for pricing other forms currently available for sale:
- 1. Annual values for the five years preceding and the three years following the valuation date shall be provided separately;
- 2. The projections shall include the development of the lifetime loss ratio, unless the rate increase is an exceptional increase;
  - 3. The projections shall demonstrate compliance with subrule 39.28(3); and
  - For exceptional increases,
- The projected experience should be limited to the increases in claims expenses attributable to the approved reasons for the exceptional increase; and
- In the event the commissioner determines that offsets may exist, the insurer shall use appropriate net projected experience;
- (2) Disclosure of how reserves have been incorporated in this rate increase whenever the rate increase will trigger contingent benefit upon lapse;
- (3) Disclosure of the analysis performed to determine why a rate adjustment is necessary, which pricing assumptions were not realized and why, and what other actions taken by the company have been relied on by the actuary;
- (4) A statement that policy design, underwriting and claims adjudication practices have been taken into consideration; and
- (5) In the event that it is necessary to maintain consistent premium rates for new certificates and certificates receiving a rate increase, the insurer will need to file composite rates reflecting projections of new certificates:
- d. A statement that renewal premium rate schedules are not greater than new business premium rate schedules except for differences attributable to benefits, unless sufficient justification is provided to the commissioner; and
- e. Sufficient information for review of the premium rate schedule increase by the commissioner.
   39.28(3) All premium rate schedule increases shall be determined in accordance with the following requirements:
- a. Exceptional increases shall provide that 70 percent of the present value of projected additional premiums from the exceptional increase will be returned to policyholders in benefits;
- b. Premium rate schedule increases shall be calculated such that the sum of the accumulated value of incurred claims, without the inclusion of active life reserves, and the present value of future projected incurred claims, without the inclusion of active life reserves, will not be less than the sum of the following:
  - (1) The accumulated value of the initial earned premium multiplied by 58 percent;
- (2) Eighty-five percent of the accumulated value of prior premium rate schedule increases on an earned basis;
  - (3) The present value of future projected initial earned premiums multiplied by 58 percent; and
- (4) Eighty-five percent of the present value of future projected premiums not in subparagraph (3) above on an earned basis;
- c. In the event that a policy form has both exceptional and other increases, the values in subparagraphs 39.28(3)"b"(2) and (4) will also include 70 percent for exceptional rate increase amounts; and
- d. All present and accumulated values used to determine rate increases shall use the maximum valuation interest rate for contract reserves as recommended by the NAIC Financial Examiners Handbook. The actuary shall disclose as part of the actuarial memorandum the use of any appropriate averages.

- **39.28(4)** For each rate increase that is implemented, the insurer shall file for review by the commissioner updated projections, as defined in subparagraph 39.28(2)"c"(1), annually for the next three years and include a comparison of actual results to projected values. The commissioner may extend the period to greater than three years if actual results are not consistent with projected values from prior projections. For group insurance policies that meet the conditions in subrule 39.28(11), the projections required by this subrule shall be provided to the policyholder in lieu of filing with the commissioner.
- **39.28(5)** If any premium rate in the revised premium rate schedule is greater than 200 percent of the comparable rate in the initial premium schedule, lifetime projections, as defined in subparagraph 39.28(2) "c"(1), shall be filed for review by the commissioner every five years following the end of the required period in subrule 39.28(4). For group insurance policies that meet the conditions in subrule 39.28(11), the projections required by this paragraph shall be provided to the policyholder in lieu of filing with the commissioner.
- **39.28(6)** If the commissioner has determined that the actual experience following a rate increase does not adequately match the projected experience and that the current projections under moderately adverse conditions demonstrate that incurred claims will not exceed proportions of premiums specified in subrule 39.28(3), the commissioner may require the insurer to implement any of the following:
  - a. Premium rate schedule adjustments; or
  - b. Other measures to reduce the difference between the projected and actual experience.

In determining whether the actual experience adequately matches the projected experience, consideration should be given to subparagraph 39.28(2)"c"(5), if applicable.

- **39.28(7)** If the majority of the policies or certificates to which the increase is applicable are eligible for the contingent benefit upon lapse, the insurer shall file:
- a. A plan, subject to commissioner approval, for improved administration or claims processing designed to eliminate the potential for further deterioration of the policy form requiring further premium rate schedule increases, or both, or to demonstrate that appropriate administration and claims processing have been implemented or are in effect; otherwise, the commissioner may impose the condition in subrule 39.28(8); and
- b. The original anticipated lifetime loss ratio, and the premium rate schedule increase that would have been calculated according to subrule 39.28(3) had the greater of the original anticipated lifetime loss ratio or 58 percent been used in the calculations described in subparagraphs 39.28(3) "b" (1) and (3).

#### **39.28(8)** Review of lapse rates.

- a. For a rate increase filing that meets the following criteria, the commissioner shall review, for all policies included in the filing, the projected lapse rates and past lapse rates during the 12 months following each increase to determine if significant adverse lapsation has occurred or is anticipated:
  - (1) The rate increase is not the first rate increase requested for the specific policy form or forms;
  - (2) The rate increase is not an exceptional increase; and
- (3) The majority of the policies or certificates to which the increase is applicable are eligible for the contingent benefit upon lapse.
- b. In the event significant adverse lapsation has occurred, is anticipated in the filing or is evidenced in the actual results as presented in the updated projections provided by the insurer following the requested rate increase, the commissioner may determine that a rate spiral exists. Following the determination that a rate spiral exists, the commissioner may require the insurer to offer, without underwriting, to all in-force insureds subject to the rate increase the option to replace existing coverage with one or more reasonably comparable products being offered by the insurer or its affiliates.
  - (1) The offer shall:
  - 1. Be subject to the approval of the commissioner;
  - 2. Be based on actuarially sound principles, but not be based on attained age; and
- 3. Provide that maximum benefits under any new policy accepted by an insured shall be reduced by comparable benefits already paid under the existing policy.

- (2) The insurer shall maintain the experience of all the replacement insureds separate from the experience of insureds originally issued the policy forms. In the event of a request for a rate increase on the policy form, the rate increase shall be limited to the lesser of:
  - 1. The maximum rate increase determined based on the combined experience; and
- 2. The maximum rate increase determined based only on the experience of the insureds originally issued the form plus 10 percent.
- **39.28(9)** If the commissioner determines that the insurer has exhibited a persistent practice of filing inadequate initial premium rates for long-term care insurance, the commissioner may, in addition to the provisions of subrule 39.28(8), prohibit the insurer from either of the following:
  - a. Filing and marketing comparable coverage for a period of up to five years; or
- b. Offering all other similar coverages and limiting marketing of new applications to the products subject to recent premium rate schedule increases.
- **39.28(10)** Subrules 39.28(1) through 39.28(9) shall not apply to policies for which the long-term care benefits provided by the policy are incidental, as defined in subrule 39.5(16), if the policy complies with all of the following provisions:
- a. The interest credited internally to determine cash value accumulations, including long-term care, if any, is guaranteed not to be less than the minimum guaranteed interest rate for cash value accumulations without long-term care set forth in the policy;
- b. The portion of the policy that provides insurance benefits other than long-term care coverage meets the nonforfeiture requirements as applicable in any of the following:
  - (1) Iowa Code section 508.37, regarding nonforfeiture standards for life insurance;
- (2) Iowa Code section 508.38, regarding nonforfeiture standards for individual deferred annuities; and
  - (3) Iowa Code section 508A.5 and 191—subrule 31.3(8), regarding variable annuities;
- c. The policy meets the disclosure requirements of rules 191-39.20(514G) and 191-39.21(514G);
- d. The portion of the policy that provides insurance benefits other than long-term care coverage meets the requirements as applicable in the following:
  - (1) Policy illustrations as required by 191—Chapter 14;
  - (2) Disclosure requirements for annuities as required by the commissioner; and
  - (3) Disclosure requirements for variable annuities as required by 191—Chapter 31;
  - e. An actuarial memorandum is filed with the insurance division that includes:
  - (1) A description of the basis on which the long-term care rates were determined;
  - (2) A description of the basis for the reserves;
- (3) A summary of the type of policy, benefits, renewability, general marketing method, and limits on ages of issuance:
- (4) A description and a table of each actuarial assumption used. For expenses, an insurer must include percent of premium dollars per policy and dollars per unit of benefits, if any;
- (5) A description and a table of the anticipated policy reserves and additional reserves to be held in each future year for active lives;
  - (6) The estimated average annual premium per policy and the average issue age;
- (7) A statement as to whether underwriting is performed at the time of application. The statement shall indicate whether underwriting is used and, if underwriting is used, the statement shall include a description of the type or types of underwriting used, such as medical underwriting or functional assessment underwriting. Concerning a group policy, the statement shall indicate whether the enrollee or any dependent will be underwritten and when underwriting occurs; and
- (8) A description of the effect of the long-term care policy provision on the required premiums, nonforfeiture values and reserves on the underlying insurance policy, both for active lives and those in long-term care claim status.

- **39.28(11)** Subrules 39.28(6) and 39.28(8) shall not apply to group insurance policies where:
- a. The policies insure 250 or more persons and the policyholder has 5,000 or more eligible employees of a single employer; or
- b. The policyholder, and not the certificate holders, pays a material portion of the premium, which shall not be less than 20 percent of the total premium for the group in the calendar year prior to the year a rate increase is filed.

#### 191—39.29(514G) Nonforfeiture.

- **39.29(1)** Except as provided in subrule 39.29(2), a long-term care insurance policy may not be delivered or issued for delivery in this state unless the policyholder or certificate holder has been offered the option of purchasing a policy or certificate including a nonforfeiture benefit. The offer of a nonforfeiture benefit may be in the form of a rider that is attached to the policy. In the event the policyholder or certificate holder declines the nonforfeiture benefit, the insurer shall provide a contingent benefit upon lapse that shall be available for a specified period of time following a substantial increase in premium rates.
- **39.29(2)** When a group long-term care insurance policy is issued, the offer required in subrule 39.29(1) shall be made to the group policyholder. However, if the policy is issued as group long-term care insurance to a group as defined in Iowa Code section 514G.4(4)"d," other than to a continuing care retirement community or other similar entity, the offering shall be made to each proposed certificate holder.
- **39.29(3)** This rule does not apply to life insurance policies or riders containing accelerated long-term care benefits.
- **39.29(4)** To comply with the requirement to offer a nonforfeiture benefit pursuant to the provisions of subrule 39.29(1):
- a. A policy or certificate offered with nonforfeiture benefits shall have coverage elements, eligibility, benefit triggers and benefit length that are the same as coverage to be issued without nonforfeiture benefits. The nonforfeiture benefit included in the offer shall be the benefit described in subrule 39.29(7); and
- b. The offer shall be in writing if the nonforfeiture benefit is not otherwise described in the outline of coverage or other materials given to the prospective policyholder.
- **39.29(5)** If the offer required to be made under subrule 39.29(1) is rejected, the insurer shall provide the contingent benefit upon lapse described in this rule.

#### 39.29(6) Benefit triggers.

- a. After rejection of the offer required under subrule 39.29(1), for individual and group policies without nonforfeiture benefits issued after February 1, 2003, the insurer shall provide a contingent benefit upon lapse.
- b. In the event a group policyholder elects to make the nonforfeiture benefit an option to the certificate holder, a certificate shall provide either the nonforfeiture benefit or the contingent benefit upon lapse.
- c. The contingent benefit upon lapse shall be triggered every time an insurer increases the premium rates to a level which results in a cumulative increase of the annual premium equal to or exceeding the percentage of the insured's initial annual premium set forth below based on the insured's issue age, and the policy or certificate lapses within 120 days of the due date of the premium so increased. Unless otherwise required, policyholders shall be notified at least 30 days prior to the due date of the premium reflecting the rate increase.

Triggers for a Substantial Premium Increase

	Percent Increase
Issue Age	Over Initial Premium
29 and under	200%
30-34	190%
35-39	170%
40-44	150%
45-49	130%
50-54	110%
55-59	90%
60	70%
61	66%
62	62%
63	58%
64	54%
65	50%
66	48%
67	46%
68	44%
69	42%
70	40%
71	38%
72	36%
73	34%
74	32%
75	30%
76	28%
77	26%
78	24%
79	22%
80	20%
81	19%
82	18%
83	17%
84	16%
85	15%
86	14%
87	13%
88	12%
89	11%
90 and over	10%

- d. On or before the effective date of a substantial premium increase as defined in paragraph 39.29(6) "c," the insurer shall:
- (1) Offer to reduce policy benefits provided by the current coverage without the requirement of additional underwriting so that required premium payments are not increased;
- (2) Offer to convert the coverage to a paid-up status with a shortened benefit period in accordance with the terms of subrule 39.29(7). This option may be elected at any time during the 120-day period referenced in paragraph 39.29(6) "c"; and
- (3) Notify the policyholder or certificate holder that a default or lapse at any time during the 120-day period referenced in paragraph 39.29(6) "c" shall be deemed to be the election of the offer to convert in subparagraph (2) above.
- **39.29(7)** Benefits continued as nonforfeiture benefits, including contingent benefits upon lapse, are described in this subrule.
- a. For purposes of this subrule, attained age rating is defined as a schedule of premiums starting from the issue date which increases age at least 1 percent per year prior to age 50, and at least 3 percent per year beyond age 50.
- b. For purposes of this subrule, the nonforfeiture benefit shall be of a shortened benefit period providing paid-up long-term care insurance coverage after lapse. The same benefits (amounts and frequency in effect at the time of lapse but not increased thereafter) will be payable for a qualifying claim, but the lifetime maximum dollars or days of benefits shall be determined as specified in paragraph "c."
- c. The standard nonforfeiture credit will be equal to 100 percent of the sum of all premiums paid, including the premiums paid prior to any changes in benefits. The insurer may offer additional shortened benefit period options, as long as the benefits for each duration equal or exceed the standard nonforfeiture credit for that duration. However, the minimum nonforfeiture credit shall not be less than 30 times the daily nursing home benefit at the time of lapse. In either event, the calculation of the nonforfeiture credit is subject to the limitation of subrule 39.29(8).
  - d. Benefit dates.
- (1) The nonforfeiture benefit shall begin not later than the end of the third year following the policy or certificate issue date. The contingent benefit upon lapse shall be effective during the first three years as well as thereafter.
- (2) Notwithstanding subparagraph (1), for a policy or certificate with attained age rating, the non-forfeiture benefit shall begin on the earlier of:
  - 1. The end of the tenth year following the policy or certificate issue date; or
- 2. The end of the second year following the date the policy or certificate is no longer subject to attained age rating.
- *e*. Nonforfeiture credits may be used for all care and services qualifying for benefits under the terms of the policy or certificate, up to the limits specified in the policy or certificate.
- **39.29(8)** All benefits paid by the insurer while the policy or certificate is in premium-paying status and in paid-up status will not exceed the maximum benefits which would be payable if the policy or certificate had remained in premium-paying status.
- **39.29(9)** There shall be no difference in the minimum nonforfeiture benefits as required under this rule for group and individual policies.
- **39.29(10)** The requirements set forth in this rule shall become effective July 1, 2003, and shall apply as follows:
- a. Except as provided in paragraph "b," the provisions of this rule apply to any long-term care policy issued on or after February 1, 2003.
- *b.* For certificates issued on or after July 1, 2003, under a group long-term care insurance policy which policy was in force on February 1, 2003, the provisions of this rule shall not apply.

- **39.29(11)** Premiums charged for a policy or certificate containing nonforfeiture benefits or a contingent benefit on lapse shall be subject to the loss ratio requirements of 39.13(2) or 191—39.28(514G), whichever applies, treating the policy as a whole.
- **39.29(12)** To determine whether contingent nonforfeiture upon lapse provisions are triggered under paragraph 39.29(6) "c," a replacing insurer that purchased or otherwise assumed a block or blocks of long-term care insurance policies from another insurer shall calculate the percentage increase based on the initial annual premium paid by the insured when the policy was first purchased from the original insurer.
- **39.29(13)** A nonforfeiture benefit for qualified long-term care insurance contracts that are level premium contracts shall be offered that meets the following requirements:
  - a. The nonforfeiture provision shall be appropriately captioned;
- b. The nonforfeiture provision shall provide a benefit available in the event of a default in the payment of any premiums and shall state that the amount of the benefit may be adjusted subsequent to being initially granted only as necessary to reflect changes in claims, persistency and interest as reflected in changes in rates for premium-paying contracts approved by the commissioner for the same contract form; and
  - c. The nonforfeiture provision shall provide at least one of the following:
  - (1) Reduced paid-up insurance;
  - (2) Extended term insurance;
  - (3) Shortened benefit period; or
  - (4) Other similar offerings approved by the commissioner.

#### 191—39.30(514G) Standards for benefit triggers.

**39.30(1)** A long-term care insurance policy shall condition the payment of benefits on a determination of the insured's ability to perform activities of daily living and on cognitive impairment. Eligibility for the payment of benefits shall not be more restrictive than requiring either a deficiency in the ability to perform not more than three of the activities of daily living or the presence of cognitive impairment.

**39.30(2)** Activities of daily living.

- a. Activities of daily living shall include at least the following as defined in rule 191—39.5(514G) and in the policy:
  - (1) Bathing;
  - (2) Continence;
  - (3) Dressing;
  - (4) Eating;
  - (5) Toileting; and
  - (6) Transferring.
- b. Insurers may use other activities of daily living to trigger covered benefits as long as the activities are defined in the policy.
- **39.30(3)** An insurer may use additional provisions for the determination of when benefits are payable under a policy or certificate; however, the provisions shall not restrict, and are not in lieu of, the requirements contained in subrules 39.30(1) and 39.30(2).
- **39.30(4)** For purposes of this rule, the determination of a deficiency shall not be more restrictive than:
- a. Requiring the hands-on assistance of another person to perform the prescribed activities of daily living; or
- b. If the deficiency is due to the presence of a cognitive impairment, supervision or verbal cuing by another person is needed in order to protect the insured or others.

- **39.30(5)** Assessments of activities of daily living and cognitive impairment shall be performed by licensed or certified professionals, such as physicians, nurses or social workers.
- **39.30(6)** Long-term care insurance policies shall include a clear description of the process for appealing and resolving benefit determinations.
- **39.30**(7) The requirements set forth in this rule shall be effective July 1, 2003, and shall apply as follows:
- a. Except as provided in paragraph "b," the provisions of this rule apply to a long-term care policy issued in this state on or after February 1, 2003.
- b. For certificates issued on or after July 1, 2003, under a group long-term care insurance policy as defined in Iowa Code section 514G.4(4)"a" that was in force on February 1, 2003, the provisions of this rule shall not apply.

## 191—39.31(514G) Additional standards for benefit triggers for qualified long-term care insurance contracts.

**39.31(1)** For purposes of this rule, the following definitions apply:

"Chronically ill individual" has the meaning prescribed for this term by Section 7702B(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Under this provision, a chronically ill individual means any individual who has been certified by a licensed health care practitioner as:

- 1. Being unable to perform (without substantial assistance from another individual) at least two activities of daily living for a period of at least 90 days due to a loss of functional capacity; or
- 2. Requiring substantial supervision to protect the individual from threats to health and safety due to severe cognitive impairment.

The term "chronically ill individual" shall not include an individual otherwise meeting these requirements unless within the preceding 12-month period a licensed health care practitioner has certified that the individual meets these requirements.

"Licensed health care practitioner" means a physician, as defined in Section 1861(r)(1) of the Social Security Act, a registered professional nurse, licensed social worker or other individual who meets requirements prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

"Maintenance or personal care services" means any care the primary purpose of which is the provision of needed assistance with any of the disabilities as a result of which the individual is a chronically ill individual (including the protection from threats to health and safety due to severe cognitive impairment).

"Qualified long-term care services" means services that meet the requirements of Section 7702(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as follows: necessary diagnostic, preventive, therapeutic, curative, treatment, mitigation and rehabilitative services, and maintenance or personal care services which are required by a chronically ill individual, and are provided pursuant to a plan of care prescribed by a licensed health care practitioner.

- **39.31(2)** A qualified long-term care insurance contract shall pay only for qualified long-term care services received by a chronically ill individual provided pursuant to a plan of care prescribed by a licensed health care practitioner.
- **39.31(3)** A qualified long-term care insurance contract shall condition the payment of benefits on a determination of the insured's inability to perform activities of daily living for an expected period of at least 90 days due to a loss of functional capacity or to severe cognitive impairment.
- **39.31(4)** Certifications regarding activities of daily living and cognitive impairment required pursuant to subrule 39.31(3) shall be performed by the following licensed or certified professionals: physicians, registered professional nurses, licensed social workers, or other individuals who meet requirements prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

**39.31(5)** Certifications required pursuant to subrule 39.31(3) may be performed by a licensed health care professional at the direction of the carrier as is reasonably necessary with respect to a specific claim, except that when a licensed health care practitioner has certified that an insured is unable to perform activities of daily living for an expected period of at least 90 days due to a loss of functional capacity and the insured is in claim status, the certification may not be rescinded and additional certifications may not be performed until after the expiration of the 90-day period.

**39.31(6)** Qualified long-term care insurance contracts shall include a clear description of the process for appealing and resolving disputes with respect to benefit determinations.

**191—39.32(514G) Penalties.** Violations of this chapter shall be subject to the penalties imposed under Iowa Code chapter 507B.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 514D.9 and chapter 514G.

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#### APPENDIX A

# RESCISSION REPORTING FORM FOR LONG-TERM CARE POLICIES FOR THE STATE OF IOWA FOR THE REPORTING YEAR 20[ ]

Company Nam	ne:				
Address:					
Phone Number	:				
Those rescission	this form is to reponse voluntarily effections form per rescise	ctuated by an ins	of long-term car		
Policy Form #	Policy and Certificate #	Name of Insured	Date of Policy Issuance	Date/s Claim/s Submitted	Date of Rescission
Detailed reasor	n for rescission:				
					Signature
				Name and	Γitle (please type)
					Date

#### APPENDIX B

**Premium Information** 

#### Long-Term Care Insurance Personal Worksheet

People buy long-term care insurance for many reasons. Some don't want to use their own assets to pay for long-term care. Some buy insurance to make sure they can choose the type of care they get. Others don't want their family to have to pay for care or don't want to go on Medicaid. But long-term care insurance may be expensive, and may not be right for everyone.

By state law, the insurance company must fill out part of the information on this worksheet and **ask** you to fill out the rest to help you and the company decide if you should buy this policy.

Policy Form Numbers
The premium for the coverage you are considering will be [\$ per month, or \$ per year] [a one-time single premium of \$].
Type of Policy (noncancellable/guaranteed renewable):
The Company's Right to Increase Premiums:
[The company cannot raise your rates on this policy.] [The company has a right to increase premiums on this policy form in the future, provided it raises rates for all policies in the same class in this state.] [Insurers shall use appropriate bracketed statement. Rate guarantees shall not be shown on this form.]
Rate Increase History
The company has sold long-term care insurance since [year] and has sold this policy since [year]. [The company has never raised its rates for any long-term care policy it has sold in this state or any other state.] [The company has not raised its rates for this policy form or similar policy forms in this state or any other state in the last 10 years.] [The company has raised its premium rates on this policy form or similar policy forms in the last 10 years. Following is a summary of the rate increases.]
<b>Drafting Note:</b> A company may use the first bracketed sentence above only if it has never increased rates under any prior policy forms in this state or any other state. The issuer shall list each premium increase it has instituted on this or similar policy forms in this state or any other state during the last 10 years. The list shall provide the policy form, the calendar years the form was available for sale, and the calendar year and the amount (percentage) of each increase. The insurer shall provide minimum and maximum percentages if the rate increase is variable by rating characteristics. The insurer may provide, in a fair manner, additional explanatory information as appropriate.
Questions Related to Your Income
How will you pay each year's premium?  □From my Income □From my Savings/Investments □My Family will Pay [□Have you considered whether you could afford to keep this policy if the premiums went up, for example, by 20%?]

<b>Drafting Note:</b> The issuer is not required to use the bracketed sentence if the policy is fully paid up or is a noncancellable policy.
What is your annual income? (check one) Under \$10,000 \ \_\$[10-20,000] \ \_\$[20-30,000] \ \_\$[30-50,000] \ \_\$0ver \$50,000
<b>Drafting Note:</b> The issuer may choose the numbers to put in the brackets to fit its suitability standards.
How do you expect your income to change over the next 10 years? (check one)  □No change □Increase □Decrease
If you will be paying premiums with money received only from your own income, a rule of thumb is that you may not be able to afford this policy if the premiums will be more than 7% of your income.
Will you buy inflation protection? (check one) ☐ Yes ☐ No  If not, have you considered how you will pay for the difference between future costs and your daily benefit amount?  ☐ From my Income ☐ From my Savings/Investments ☐ My Family will Pay
The national average annual cost of care in [insert year] was [insert \$ amount], but this figure varies across the country. In ten years the national average annual cost would be about [insert \$ amount] if costs increase 5% annually.
<b>Drafting Note:</b> The projected cost can be based on federal estimates in a current year. In the above statement, the second figure equals 163% of the first figure.
What elimination period are you considering? Number of days Approximate cost \$ for that period of care.
How are you planning to pay for your care during the elimination period? (check one)  □From my Income □From my Savings/Investments □My Family will Pay
Questions Related to Your Savings and Investments
Not counting your home, about how much are all of your assets (your savings and investments) worth? (check one)
Under \$20,000
How do you expect your assets to change over the next ten years? (check one)  □Stay about the same □Increase □Decrease
If you are buying this policy to protect your assets and your assets are less than \$30,000, you may

If you are buying this policy to protect your assets and your assets are less than \$30,000, you may wish to consider other options for financing your long-term care.

#### **Disclosure Statement**

	The answers to the questions above o	describe my financial situation.
	I choose not to complete this information (Check one.)	ation.
	with me including the premium, prer for premium increases in the future. [ ing: I acknowledge that I have review mium rate increase history and potenti	its agent (below) has reviewed this form mium rate increase history and potential For direct mail situations, use the followed this form including the premium, presal for premium increases in the future.] I nderstand that the rates for this policy ox must be checked.)
Signed:	(Applicant)	(Date)
	(Applicant)	(Date)
[□ I explai	ined to the applicant the importance of co	mpleting this information.]
Signed:		
· -	(Agent)	(Date)
Agent's Pri	nted Name:	]
	r us to process your application, please retuyour application.]	urn this signed statement to [name of company],
	has advised me that this policy does not seen consider my application.	n to be suitable for me. However, I still want the
Signed:		1
<i></i>	(Applicant)	(Date)
<b>Drafting N</b> sale.	ote: Choose the appropriate sentences dep	pending on whether this is a direct mail or agent

The company may contact you to verify your answers.

**Drafting Note:** When the Long-Term Care Insurance Personal Worksheet is furnished to employees and their spouses under employer group policies, the text from the heading "Disclosure Statement" to the end of the page may be removed.

#### APPENDIX C

#### Things You Should Know Before You Buy Long-Term Care Insurance

#### Long-Term Care Insurance

- A long-term care insurance policy may pay most of the costs for your care in a nursing home. Many policies also pay for care at home or other community settings. Since policies can vary in coverage, you should read this policy and make sure you understand what it covers before you buy it.
- [You should **not** buy this insurance policy unless you can afford to pay the premiums every year.] [Remember that the company can increase premiums in the future.]

**Drafting Note:** For single premium policies, delete this bullet; for noncancellable policies, delete the second sentence only.

The personal worksheet includes questions designed to help you and the company determine whether this policy is suitable for your needs.

#### Medicare

Medicare does not pay for most long-term care.

#### Medicaid

- Medicaid will generally pay for long-term care if you have very little income
  and few assets. You probably should **not** buy this policy if you are now eligible for Medicaid.
- Many people become eligible for Medicaid after they have used up their own financial resources by paying for long-term care services.
- When Medicaid pays your spouse's nursing home bills, you are allowed to keep your house and furniture, a living allowance, and some of your joint assets.
- Your choice of long-term care services may be limited if you are receiving Medicaid. To learn more about Medicaid, contact your local or state Medicaid agency.

#### Shopper's Guide

• Make sure the insurance company or agent gives you a copy of a booklet called the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' "Shopper's Guide to Long-Term Care Insurance." Read it carefully. If you have decided to apply for long-term care insurance, you have the right to return the policy within 30 days and get back any premium you have paid if you are dissatisfied for any reason or choose not to purchase the policy.

#### Counseling

 Free counseling and additional information about long-term care insurance are available through your state's insurance counseling program. Contact your state insurance department or department on aging for more information about the senior health insurance counseling program in your state.

#### APPENDIX D

#### **Long-Term Care Insurance Suitability Letter**

Dear [Applicant]:

Your recent application for long-term care insurance included a "personal worksheet," which asked questions about your finances and your reasons for buying long-term care insurance. For your protection, state law requires us to consider this information when we review your application, to avoid selling a policy to those who may not need coverage.

[Your answers indicate that long-term care insurance may not meet your financial needs. We suggest that you review the information provided along with your application, including the booklet "Shopper's Guide to Long-Term Care Insurance" and the page titled "Things You Should Know Before Buying Long-Term Care Insurance." Your state insurance department also has information about long-term care insurance and may be able to refer you to a counselor free of charge who can help you decide whether to buy this policy.]

[You chose not to provide any financial information for us to review.]

**Drafting Note:** Choose the paragraph that applies.

We have suspended our final review of your application. If, after careful consideration, you still believe this policy is what you want, check the appropriate box below and return this letter to us within the next 60 days. We will then continue reviewing your application and issue a policy if you meet our medical standards.

If we do not hear from you within the next 60 days, we will close your file and not issue you a policy. You should understand that you will not have any coverage until we hear back from you, approve your application and issue you a policy.

Please check one box and return in the enclosed envelope.
☐ <b>Yes</b> , [although my worksheet indicates that long-term care insurance may not be a suitable purchase,] I wish to purchase this coverage. Please resume review of my application.
<b>Drafting Note:</b> Delete the phrase in brackets if the applicant did not answer the questions about in come.
$\square$ <b>No.</b> I have decided not to buy a policy at this time.
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE DATE

Please return to [issuer] at [address] by [date].

#### APPENDIX E

## Claims Denial Reporting Form Long-Term Care Insurance

For the State of Iowa

	For the Repor			
Company Name: _				Due: June 30 annually
Company Address:				
Company NAIC Nu	ımber:			
Contact Person:			Phone Number:	
Line of Business:	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Group</u>		

#### Instructions

The purpose of this form is to report all long-term care claim denials under in-force long-term care insurance policies. "Denied" means a claim that is not paid for any reason other than for claims not paid for failure to meet the waiting period or because of an applicable preexisting condition.

		State Data	Nationwide Data <sup>1</sup>
1	Total Number of Long-Term Care Claims Reported		
2	Total Number of Long-Term Care Claims Denied/Not Paid		
3	Number of Claims Not Paid due to Preexisting Condition Exclusion		
4	Number of Claims Not Paid due to Waiting (Elimination) Period Not Met		
5	Net Number of Long-Term Care Claims Denied for Reporting Purposes (Line 2 Minus Line 3 Minus Line 4)		
6	Percentage of Long-Term Care Claims Denied of Those Reported (Line 5 Divided By Line 1)		
7	Number of Long-Term Care Claims Denied due to:		
8	<ul> <li>Long-Term Care Services Not Covered under the Policy<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>		
9	<ul> <li>Provider/Facility Not Qualified under the Policy<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>		
10	Benefit Eligibility Criteria Not Met <sup>4</sup>		
11	Other		

The nationwide data may be viewed as a more representative and credible indicator where the data for claims reported and denied for your state are small in number.

2 Example—home health care claim filed under a nursing home only policy.

Example—a facility that does not meet the minimum level of care requirements or the licensing requirements as outlined in the policy.

Examples—a benefit trigger not met, certification by a licensed health care practitioner not provided, no plan of care.

#### APPENDIX F

#### **Instructions:**

This form provides information to the applicant regarding premium rate schedules, rate schedule adjustments, potential rate revisions, and policyholder options in the event of a rate increase.

#### Insurers shall provide all of the following information to the applicant:

### Long-Term Care Insurance Potential Rate Increase Disclosure Form

1. **[Premium Rate] [Premium Rate Schedules]:** [Premium rate] [Premium rate schedules] that [is][are] applicable to you and that will be in effect until a request is made and [filed][approved] for an increase [is][are] [on the application][\$\_\_\_\_\_].

**Drafting Note:** Use "approved" in states requiring prior approval of rates.

- 2. The [premium] [premium rate schedule] for this policy [will be shown on the schedule page of] [will be attached to] your policy.
- 3. Rate Schedule Adjustments:

The company will provide a description of when premium rate or rate schedule adjustments will be effective (e.g., next anniversary date, next billing date, etc.) (fill in the blank):

#### 4. Potential Rate Revisions:

**This policy is Guaranteed Renewable.** This means that the rates for this product may be increased in the future. Your rates can NOT be increased due to your increasing age or declining health, but your rates may go up based on the experience of all policyholders with a policy similar to yours.

If you receive a premium rate or premium rate schedule increase in the future, you will be notified of the new premium amount and you will be able to exercise at least one of the following options:

- Pay the increased premium and continue your policy in force as is.
- Reduce your policy benefits to a level such that your premiums will not increase. (Subject to state law minimum standards.)
- Exercise your nonforfeiture option if purchased. (This option is available for purchase for an additional premium.)
- Exercise your contingent nonforfeiture rights.\* (This option may be available if you do not purchase a separate nonforfeiture option.)

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#### \*Contingent Nonforfeiture

If the premium rate for your policy goes up in the future and you didn't buy a nonforfeiture option, you may be eligible for contingent nonforfeiture. Here's how to tell if you are eligible:

You will keep some long-term care insurance coverage, if:

- Your premium after the increase exceeds your original premium by the percentage shown (or more) in the following table; and
  - You lapse (not pay more premiums) within 120 days of the increase.

The amount of coverage (i.e., new lifetime maximum benefit amount) you will keep will equal the total amount of premiums you've paid since your policy was first issued. If you have already received benefits under the policy, so that the remaining maximum benefit amount is less than the total amount of premiums you've paid, the amount of coverage will be that remaining amount.

Except for this reduced lifetime maximum benefit amount, all other policy benefits will remain at the levels attained at the time of the lapse and will not increase thereafter.

Should you choose this Contingent Nonforfeiture option, your policy, with this reduced maximum benefit amount, will be considered "paid-up" with no further premiums due.

#### Example:

- You bought the policy at age 65 and paid the \$1,000 annual premium for 10 years, so you have paid a total of \$10,000 in premiums.
- In the eleventh year, you receive a rate increase of 50%, or \$500 for a new annual premium of \$1,500, and you decide to lapse the policy (not pay any more premiums).
- Your "paid-up" policy benefits are \$10,000 (provided you have at least \$10,000 of benefits remaining under your policy).

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## Contingent Nonforfeiture Cumulative Premium Increase Over Initial Premium That Qualifies for Contingent Nonforfeiture

(Percentage increase is cumulative from date of original issue. It does NOT represent a one-time increase.)

Issue Age	Percent Increase Over Initial Premium
29 and under	200%
30-34	190%
35-39	170%
40-44	150%
45-49	130%
50-54	110%
55-59	90%
60	70%
61	66%
62	62%
63	58%
64	54%
65	50%
66	48%
67	46%
68	44%
69	42%
70	40%
71	38%
72	36%
73	34%
74	32%
75	30%
76	28%
77	26%
78	24%
79	22%
80	20%
81	19%
82	18%
83	17%
84	16%
85	15%
86	14%
87	13%
88	12%
89	11%
90 and over	10%